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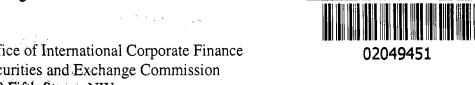
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BAA TRAFFIC SHOWS MODEST IMPROVEMENT IN JULY

BAA's seven UK airports handled a total of 12.9 million passengers in July, an increase of 0.4% over the same month last year. There was a gradual improvement in the rate of increase in traffic as the month progressed, driven by the start of the main holiday period.

The fastest growing market was domestic, up 10%, helped by low fares at Gatwick, Stansted and the main Scottish airports. Irish traffic rose 6.6% with low fares also fuelling the market. European charter traffic added 2.3% and European scheduled routes grew 0.6%. Recovery in other markets remains slow with North Atlantic traffic showing a similar trend to last month, down 9.1% and other long haul routes down by 5.1%.

Among individual airports Edinburgh, up 15.4%, Stansted, up 12.7% and Glasgow, up 6.5%, were again the fastest growing, almost entirely driven by competitive fares. Glasgow also experienced a 4.7% increase in European charter traffic.

Heathrow's performance was flat against July last year, down 0.1%, while Gatwick recorded its second best result since September 2001, down 7.7%.

In total the number of air transport movements at BAA airports was down 0.8%. Cargo activity was up 2.6%, the first increase since August 2000, attributable largely to a 6.5% increase at Heathrow.

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BAA Traffic Summary : July 2002

Terminal		%	Fin year to date:	%	12 months to	%
Passengers (000s)	Month	Change	Apr-02 to Jul-02	Change	Jul-02	Change
Heathrow	6,061.8	-0.1	21,765.0	-1.0	60,144.7	-5.2
Gatwick	3,254.4	-7.7	10,817.2	-11.1	29,140.7	-10.0
Stansted	1,671.3	12.7	5,738.8	12.3	14,713.9	12.3
London Area Total	10,987.5	-0.8	38,321.0	-2.4	103,999.4	-4.5
Southampton	76.8	-7.2	285.0	-8.8	813.5	-6.8
Glasgow	885.3	6.5	2,949.6	6.7	7,519.0	6.4
Edinburgh	685.3	15.4	2,439.5	14.1	6,556.3	13.3
Aberdeen	246.5	-1.7	913.3	-1.6	2,537.9	-1.4
Scottish Total	1,817.1	8.4	6,302.4	8.1	16,613.2	7.7
BAA Total	12,881.4	0.4	44,908.4	-1.1	121,426.0	-3.0

Air Transport		%	Fin year to date:	%	12 months to	%
Movements	Month	Change	Apr-02 to Jul-02	Change	Jul-02	Change
Heathrow	40,703	0.6	156,572	-0.5	455,121	-1.3
Gatwick	22,957	-4.4	82,866	-6.7	232,830	-7.7
Stansted	14,502	-2.9	53,626	-4.5	147,711	-3.8
London Area Total	78,162	-1.6	293,064	-3.0	835,662	-3.6
Southampton	2,639	1.3	9,788	0.3	28,406	1.0
Glasgow	8,807	1.1	31,764	-2.1	90,421	-0.4
Edinburgh	9,581	8.1	36,466	7.5	104,233	10.8
Aberdeen	7,166	-6.0	28,101	-5.6	84,616	-0.5
Scottish Total	25,554	1.4	96,331	0.2	279,270	3.5
BAA Total	106,355	-0.8	399,183	-2.2	1,143,338	-1.9

Cargo		%	Fin year to date:	%	12 months to	%
(Metric Tonnes)	Month	Change	Apr-02 to Jul-02	Change	Jul-02	Change
Heathrow	107,057	6.5	414,924	1.9	1,174,220	-6.5
Gatwick	21,043	-13.8	80,882	-16.4	247,047	-19.9
Stansted	15,297	0.6	61,500	8.1	171,593	-2.8
London Area Total	143,397	2.3	557,306	-0.6	1,592,860	-8.5
Southampton	34	21.4	137	44.2	379	18.4
Glasgow	689	-6.0	2,302	-5.8	5,254	-33.3
Edinburgh	2,034	42.7	7,315	36.5	17,463	1.8
Aberdeen	340	-10.8	1,302	-13.3	4,008	-21.6
Scottish Total	3,063	20.6	10,919	17.4	26,726	-11.3
BAA Total	146,494	2.6	568,362	-0.3	1,619,965	-8.5

Above data excludes Air Taxi passengers and Air Taxi movements.

Market Comparison: July 2002

	BAA Total	BAA Total	
Market	Jul-01	Jul-02	
	(000s)	(000s)	% Change
Domestic	2,071	2,279	10.0
Eire	584	623	6.6
European Scheduled	4,662	4,691	0.6
European Charter*	1,797	1,839	2.3
North Atlantic	1,992	1,811	-9.1
Other Long Haul	1,728	1,640	-5.1
Total	12,834	12,881	0.4

^{*} includes North African Charter

Note: Origins and destinations are classified according to ultimate origin or destination of aircraft in the case of multi sector flights

Note: Figures for the market sectors have been rounded. Totals as per Traffic Summary